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SUBJECT: GENERAL - Operational

SPECIFIC: Closing of Soviet Consulate General, Algiers

1. The Soviet Consulate General [ ] closed on 15 October, transferring its functions to their Embassy in Paris (see clipping attached). The real reason for this action is apparently a closely-guarded secret.
2. A second clipping is enclosed which contains a prediction by Lord STRABOLGI of possible future unrest in Moslem North Africa.  
It may be my imagination, but I have a hunch that the Soviets are deliberately avoiding open emphasis on this area in order to escape world accusation as instigators of a "popular uprising", in the event it comes, while increasing their propaganda and clandestine activities (evidenced by the recent creation of the Algerian Front for the Defense and Respect of Liberty).

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